

CLERK: 26 ayes, 0 nays, Mr. President, on the motion to advance the bill.

SPEAKER NICHOL: The A bill is advanced. LB 579.

CLERK: Mr. President, on 579, the first order is E & R amendments.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Hall, on E & R.

SENATOR HALL: Mr. President, I would move the E & R amendments be adopted.

SPEAKER NICHOL: You have heard the motion. All in favor say aye. Opposed nay. They are adopted.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Scofield would move to amend the bill. Senator Scofield's amendment is on page 1437.

SPEAKER NICHOL: Senator Scofield, please.

SENATOR SCOFIELD: Thank you, Mr. Speaker. The purpose of this amendment was simply to add back in some language that on one of the earlier writings of this bill we had made it clear that it was our intention to exempt certain people who customarily use the term "counselor", and among those are attorneys, nurses, funeral directors, physical therapists, and perhaps of most concern to all of you, any person employed by an agency, bureau or division of the federal or state government or any political subdivision including those agencies formed under the Interlocal Cooperation Act. The purpose of this is, as you know we have a number of people in school systems who are certified under some other mechanism. One of the concerns was folks from the mental retardation services came to us and were concerned about the impact this bill would have. It was not our intention to interrupt those services and we have just clarified that. For those of you who are trying to follow along on this, those are not named specifically but they are referenced according to Chapters and Articles. So if you are having trouble following that, I will be glad to point that out to you. The second thing that the amendment does is it also moves forward the date from January, '87 to September, '87 anticipating some need to put this process in place and get it operating, and we felt that a little bit more lead time